THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 12, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR

SUBJECT:

Withdrawal of Certain Areas of the United States Outer Continental Shelf from Leasing Disposition

Under the authority granted in section 12(a) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, 43 U.S.C. 1341(a), I hereby withdraw from disposition by leasing through June 30, 2012, those areas of the Outer Continental Shelf currently under moratoria pursuant to sections 108-111 of Public Law 105-83.

I further withdraw from disposition by leasing for a time period without specific expiration those areas of the Outer Continental Shelf currently designated Marine Sanctuaries under the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, 16 U.S.C. 1431-1434, 33 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.

Nothing in this withdrawal affects the rights under existing leases in these areas.

Each of these withdrawals is subject to revocation by the President in the interest of national security.